

GENERAL TRADE IS PICKING UP.

Particularly So in the West and South, but Not in New England.

FALL ORDERS WILL BE GOOD.

Underlying Conditions of Business Are Sound—Distribution of Merchandise Improves.

New York, May 13.—Special dispatches to the International Mercantile Agency indicate that general trade is picking up throughout the west and south. Eastern business has also been stimulated except in the New England states where depression incident to the rather general shutting down of cotton mills is having marked effect. Most of the improvement is ascribed to more reasonable weather and general belief that underlying conditions are sound with promise of good fall orders.

Territory adjacent to Omaha shows good jobbing trade with excellent demand for spring goods. Although mindful of the possible setback of a presidential year, merchants are buying with confidence, wholesalers reporting a normal gain compared with last season. Farmers are generally encouraged at the outlook. Receipts of lumber at St. Louis have been large and railroads at that center report improved business during the week.

Distribution of merchandise in and about Chicago shows decided improvement. Recovery is especially noted in wearing apparel and furnishing goods although the total volume for the season is scarcely up to the 1903 record. In the city of Chicago the trade has been somewhat disturbed by politics and local merchants are displaying great caution. Labor is much more settled than a year ago. The tie-up in lake traffic has had as yet but slight influence. Building is active at Chicago. April statistics showing that plants have been taken out for 794 new buildings costing \$1,375,250. This represents a gain over one year ago of 140 buildings.

Winter wheat in the southwest has been helped by more favorable weather. Too much rain in the northwest has retarded the planting of spring wheat, and conditions east of the Mississippi reflect serious damage in the Ohio valley district, where only one-half the average yield is looked for. Loss of acreage shown in the planting of wheat, and the situation is much more serious than in the spring wheat section. It may still be reclaimed if the weather continues good. St. Paul district reports a larger spring wheat acreage than usual.

Outlook in the iron industry is still modified by the attitude of the railroads which will not buy under present conditions. One western system is said to have held back an order for 10,000 cars until after election. Pittsburgh reports nothing encouraging in the demand for structural material and plates. Seasonable hardware is, however, in active demand. The situation is much complicated by the disruption of the ore pool and the generally unsatisfactory tone of the market.

James A. Hilson Dead.

Chicago, May 13.—James A. Hilson, president of the National Car Coupler company and one of the most prominent inventors of mechanical devices in the country, is dead of appendicitis at his home here. Mr. Hilson was 52 years old. Some of his most important inventions were an emergency knuckle, a centering device, and a new demonstration of draft gear rigging.

New Russian Loan.

St. Petersburg, May 13.—A. m. The Official Messenger this morning gazettes a ukase from the emperor and a notice from the minister of finance with regard to the issue of bonds of the nominal value of \$100,000,000 to run five years from May 14, 1904, bearing interest at 5 per cent, to be paid semi-annually. The bonds are to be of the denominations of \$100 and \$1,000 and are to be issued through the banks of Paris and the Netherlands, the Credit Lyonnais and Hottinguer and Company at Paris. If further loans are floated before the bonds mature, the state of holders of these bonds will be given preference of subscription in such loans.

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TWENTY YEARS AGO TODAY.

(DO YOU REMEMBER?)

The Eighteenth Bishop's ward, Salt Lake City, decided on establishing an independent school in a building to be erected at a cost of \$7,000.

The one-year-old daughter of Joseph C. Bowring of the Fourteenth ward, Salt Lake City, died from the effects of accidentally swallowing morphine pills.

Much damage was done in the southwestern part of Salt Lake through high water, which overflowed the banks of the canal and caused consternation among residents of that section.

The British Canadian Lumber & Timber company of Toronto, Canada, assigned, with liabilities of \$1,000,000 and assets trifling.

The property of John Hurd, a well known business man of Bridgeport, Conn., was attached for \$300,000, causing a commotion in that city.

TEN YEARS AGO TODAY.

"General" Carter of the Industrial army spent the day within the walls of the Utah state prison, he and 27 others having been arrested at Provo the night before.

Dr. Talmage's church in Brooklyn, N. Y., was destroyed by fire, flames breaking out just as the doctor had concluded an eloquent sermon.

President Cleveland spent the day on Carruths quest, shooting snipe.

FIVE YEARS AGO TODAY.

The five-year-old daughter of Archibald Buchanan of Coalville, Utah, was drowned in Grass Creek.

Brigham City jury found James Morgan, alias Abe Majors, guilty of the murder of Capt. William A. Brown.

A. G. Pyper, a prominent resident of Nephi, Utah, passed away.

Mrs. Dora S. Van Alstine of Salt Lake was granted a divorce from her husband, Charles C. Van Alstine, the decree carrying with it \$12,300 alimony.

ing the ukase says that the outbreak of the war found Russian finances flourishing. There was an available surplus of \$60,000,000 which was doubled by a reduction in the budget expenses. Altogether the war found \$160,000,000 in the exchequer, which was considered to be insufficient. Prudence dictated that early preparation be made to meet the heavy expenses. The imperial treasury had \$422,500,000 gold in reserve May 6 to cover \$422,500,000 paper in circulation, thus enabling Russia to issue another \$250,000,000. This would have permitted her to meet the war expenditure without having to resort to a foreign loan, but the Russian government deemed it advisable to avoid recourse to measures which, although simple, would yet be likely to exhaust the last resources of the country, a step to be avoided during the war.

The comparatively high per cent is compensated for by the shortness of the term of the bonds which will enable the Russian government to resort to conversion of them after five years, when the present political difficulties are over.

BRITISH IN TIBET.

Younghusband's Column is Having a Very Hard Time.

New York, May 13.—British troops made a reconnaissance in force on Wednesday, says a dispatch from the Times correspondent at Gyang-Tse, Tibet. The larger part of the expeditionary force which has been halted before Jong for some days was taken by Col. Brander to attack the hills beyond and to the east of Tibetans' stronghold. The Jong monastery on the mountain side was visited because it had harbored the enemy's horsemen two days ago but was found to be inhabited by aged monks from Gampa, and, therefore, left unharmed.

No opposition was offered by the Tibetans until the column had nearly reached the post, when a hot fire opened from Jong. The fire continued for nearly an hour and excellent practice was made. The elevation of Jong enticed the Tibetans to pour a plunging fire and add greatly to the range of the weapons which have been fairly accurate and effective since the Tibetans got the range of the mission post.

The bombardment was renewed late Thursday afternoon and kept up until dark.

Earlier in the day a village about 1,500 yards to the east from which our chief defenses could be enfiladed, was occupied and partially destroyed by the Thirty-second pioneers but the British force was insufficient to hold both places.

Tibetans are reported to be advancing lines on the plain under the protection of fog.

Reinforcements of small parties have been seen from time to time concentrating by the Shigatse and Lhasa roads upon Gyang-Tse and the new fortifications at Jong, which are extraordinary both in extent and excellence of construction, are being carried on night and day.

Capt. Parr's servants, captured in a recent sortie with the Tibetans were put to death with barbarity, being slowly cut to pieces.

GAMBLING IN NEW YORK.

Opening Gun in a New Campaign is Fired.

New York, May 13.—A subpoena has been served on Jesse Lewisohn, commanding him to appear before Judge Wyatt on Monday next to testify in "John Doe" proceedings.

The proceedings having been made by a deputy from the office of Dist. Atty. Jerome. It is supposed to have been the opening gun in a new campaign against gambling inaugurated under the witness bill just signed by Gov. Odell. Mr. Lewisohn, who is a well known capitalist, was greatly surprised when the paper was placed in his hands. He is now who refused to testify in the proceedings which were aimed at Richard A. Canfield on the

ese. The officers in command of the Japanese column advancing on Polandien report that when approaching that place on May 6 they discovered a train moving northward from the direction of Port Arthur, which bore none of the marks required by the Red Cross and had Russian troops on board, which opened fire, to which the Japanese promptly responded. Suddenly the train stopped and displayed the Red Cross flag. The Japanese troops immediately stopped firing and moved forward to investigate, when suddenly the train started ahead full speed and escaped.

GRAFT IN NEW YORK.

Long List of Names of Men Who Paid for Jobs.

New York, May 13.—An investigation has been made of a strong box taken from the home of Emil Sommer, who is undergoing a shirt sentence on his confession of having accepted money from seekers for jobs in the police and fire departments of this city. In the box, it is stated, were found the names of over 50 members of the fire department said by Sommer to have procured appointments or promotion by paying money to him and his confederates.

Receipts were among the other papers, including one for \$10,000 alleged to have been paid by a member of the fire department for his promotion to one of the highest positions in that department, which he holds today. This man will be examined also with a physician, said to have paid \$3,000 to be appointed a member of the board of police surgeons. Subpoena servers are now understood to be seeking all those known to have had any dealings with Sommer and a thorough investigation will be made by the district attorneys.

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DEMOCRATIC CONVENTION.

Coliseum's Seating Capacity Fixed at 10,840.

St. Louis, Mo., May 13.—The seating capacity of the Coliseum for the Democratic national convention has been fixed at 10,840, which includes delegates, alternates, representatives of the press, invited guests, officials of the convention and the general public, who will be admitted by tickets.

The preliminary arrangements for the organization of the convention are in the hands of W. A. DeFord of Kansas, who has established headquarters at Hotel Jefferson, representing the sub-committees of the national committee. Provision will be made for 350 working newspaper men, who will be seated in "correspondents' sections" 1 and 2. Seats are provided for 350 additional newspaper men who will occupy "press" sections 1 and 2. The arena floor will be so arranged so that the delegates, to the number of 950, will be seated directly in front of the platform. Behind them will be the 950 alternates. Further back will be two "guests" sections in which will be accommodated for 62. The more prominent guests and the party leaders will have seats on the platform where there will be places for 431. The boxes will seat 420. The general tickets of admission will be for the balcony and gallery. In the balcony will be 4,490 seats and the gallery will have places for 2,850.

Under arrangements as they stand at present, each member of the national committee will have at his disposal one box and ten general admission tickets. Each delegate will have his own ticket of admission and three general tickets in addition. Each alternate will have one ticket. The seats for guests will be in the hands of the sub-committee on arrangements.

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